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5. [] Met with Bill Ashworth, ~~Senate Foreign Relations~~ Committee staff, and reviewed with him the subject matter to be covered in the Director's briefing of the Arms Control, International Organizations and Security Agreements Subcommittee. It will be essentially the same briefing that was given to Senator Jackson's Senate Armed Services Arms Control Subcommittee, i.e., the limits of SALT, Soviet compliance, ambiguities, etc. I stressed with Ashworth that the Director would not take a position on the issue of possible violations other than to discuss instances of ambiguities. We settled on 10:00 Thursday, 10 April for the briefing. He mentioned that Secretary Kissinger was scheduled to appear before the Subcommittee on 11 April and Secretary Schlesinger later in the month.

6. [] Jack Marsh, Counselor to the President, called late in the day to say he had received calls today from two congressional offices (Representative John McCollister and Senator Jesse Helms) conveying reports that missionaries are being advised to evacuate Saigon by boat and that people are going about the streets in Saigon giving this advice over loudspeakers. Marsh said if there was any truth to these reports he would like to be advised.

I checked with [] Deputy Chief, EA Division, who said he was sure these reports were not accurate but he would suggest deferring a reply to Marsh until State receives a reply to a cable sent to Ambassador Martin on this subject this afternoon.

7. [] Accompanied [] NIO/SEA, to the House International Relations Committee where he gave three staff members a updated briefing on the situation in Vietnam and Cambodia. Messrs. Jack Brady, George Berdes and Mike Van Dusen were present.

8. [] Talked with Marian Czarnecki, Staff Director, House International Relations, and filled him in on the arrangements under which the Director briefed the ~~Senate Foreign Relations Committee~~ on Agency covert actions. Czarnecki said he felt they too would have to have a transcript but the Director would be allowed to go "off the record" as he did with the Senate Committee. Czarnecki said he was optimistic that they could control the transcript under House Rule XI by having the Agency retain the transcript. The Oversight Subcommittee, which will receive the briefing, is to meet next Tuesday 8 April to discuss and decide on the procedures to be followed in these sessions. He expects the briefing will be given in the Chairman's small briefing room just off the main hearing room. We will [] handle the transcript in the usual manner.

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